## WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 1 1. An optical disc reproducing apparatus
- 2 comprising,
- 3 a housing,
- 4 a reading section which is disposed inside said
- 5 housing, and reads data recorded on an optical disc,
- a storing section which stores the data read
- 7 by said reading section,
- 8 a reproducing section which reproduces the
- 9 data stored in said storing section,
- 10 a reference discal unit which is disposed
- 11 outside said housing and is rotated at a
- 12 predetermined reference rotational speed and in a
- 13 predetermined reference rotational direction,
- 14 an operation discal unit which is mounted on
- 15 said reference discal unit to rotate together with
- 16 said reference discal unit, and is capable of
- 17 rotating in a desired rotational direction at a
- 18 desired rotational speed according to a user's
- 19 manipulation,
- 20 a detection discal unit which is accommodated
- 21 in said housing, and is connected with said
- 22 operation discal unit to rotate in sync with the
- 23 rotation of said operation discal unit,
- 24 a first detecting section which is disposed

- 25 inside said housing, and detects a rotational speed
- 26 and rotational direction of said detection discal
- 27 unit,
- 28 a second detecting section which is disposed
- 29 outside said housing, and detects a rotational speed
- 30 and rotational direction of said reference discal
- 31 unit, and
- 32 a control section which determines the
- 33 rotational speed and rotational direction of said
- 34 detection discal unit based on each detected result
- 35 from said first detecting section and said second
- 36 detecting section, and controls said reading
- 37 section, said storing section and said reproducing
- 38 section, so that a data reproduction desired by the
- 39 user is performed.
- 1 2. The optical disc reproducing apparatus according
- 2 to claim 1, wherein,
- 3 said control section gives a control to read
- 4 the data stored in said storing section at a
- 5 predetermined reference reading speed and in a
- 6 predetermined reference reading sequence, when it
- 7 is determined that said detection discal unit is
- 8 rotating at said reference rotational speed and in
- 9 said reference rotational direction, and
- said control section gives a control to read

- 11 the data stored in said storing section at the
- 12 reading speed and in the reading sequence according
- 13 to a detected result from said first detecting
- 14 section, when it is determined that said detection
- 15 discal unit is not rotating at said reference
- 16 rotational speed in said reference rotational
- 17 direction.
  - 1 3. The optical disc reproducing apparatus according
  - 2 to claim 1, wherein,
  - 3 the reference discal unit has a cross-section
  - 4 of concave shape, and with the concave shaped
  - 5 portion of said reference discal unit, said second
  - 6 detecting section is protected from outside.
  - 1 4. An operating apparatus for optical disc
  - 2 reproduction comprising,
  - 3 a housing,
  - 4 a discal unit which is disposed outside said
  - 5 housing and is rotated at a predetermined rotational
  - 6 speed and in a predetermined rotational direction,
  - 7 an operation discal unit which is mounted on
  - 8 said discal unit to rotate together with said discal
  - 9 unit, and is capable of rotating in a desired
- 10 rotational direction at a desired rotational speed
- 11 according to a user's manipulation,

- 12 a detection discal unit which is accommodated
- 13 in said housing, and is connected with said
- 14 operation discal unit to rotate in sync with the
- 15 rotation of said operation discal unit,
- a first detecting section which is disposed
- 17 outside said housing, and detects the rotational
- 18 speed and rotational direction of said discal unit,
- 19 a second detecting section which is disposed
- 20 inside said housing, and detects the rotational
- 21 speed and rotational direction of said detection
- 22 discal unit, and
- a control section which controls a processing
- 24 of data recorded on an optical disc in an optical
- 25 disc reproducing apparatus being connected
- 26 externally, according to each detected result from
- 27 said first detecting section and said second
- 28 detecting section, so that a data reproduction
- 29 desired by a user is performed.